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1. (LCU) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MAY BE BRIEFED TO JOURNALISTS EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED.

2. SUMMARY:

A. (LCU) TO BE BRIEFED TO PRESS: SOVIET AND DRA FORCES TOOK ADDITIONAL SECURITY PRECAUTIONS IN AND AROUND KABUL THIS WEEK IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE PARTY CONFERENCE AND AS MUJAHIDIN PRESSURE TO THE EAST, SOUTH AND WEST MOUNTED. MUJAHIDIN REPORTEDLY HAVE TAKEN HIGH GROUND TO THE SOUTH AND ARE HOLDING FAST IN THE WEST DESPITE THE APPROACHING WINTER. DIPLOMATS WITNESSED FIGHTING TO THE EAST, SOUTH AND WEST. MEANWHILE, SOVIET CONVOYS WERE OBSERVED RETURNING TO THE SCENE OF HEAVY RECENT FIGHTING IN LOGAR. NEW FIGHTING IS ALSO REPORTED IN NANGARHAR, PARWAN AND KANDAHAR. IN SAMANGAH, REGIME AUTHORITY AND CONTROL IS NOMINAL. A SENIOR SOVIET HAS PUT SOVIET CASUALTIES IN AFGHANISTAN NOW AT 30 TO 40 PER DAY. MEANWHILE, THE SOVIETS, AND THE DRA FINALLY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE DRA HAS IN CUSTODY AND WILL TRY A FRENCH JOURNALIST. THE FATE OF TWO AMERICANS MISSING IN AFGHANISTAN IS STILL UNKNOWN. PARENTS PROTESTING THE PRESS GANE DETENTION OF THEIR SONS WERE THIS WEEK THEMSELVES ARRESTED. A SOURCE HAS REVEALED THE LOCATION OF ANOTHER MINISTRY OF STATE SECURITY PRISON IN KABUL. INDIAN AIRLINES HAS ANNOUNCED IT WILL INAUGURATE A NEW DELHI TO TASHKENT SERVICE WITH A STOP IN KABUL.

B. (C) NOT TO BE BRIEFED TO THE PRESS:

AN EAST EUROPEAN DIPLOMAT CLAIMS PRIME MINISTER KESHIMAND AMONG OTHERS OPPOSES NAJIBULLAH'S HARD LINE AGAINST PARTY DISSIDENTS AND MAY HAVE URGED A CHANGE OF COURSE WHILE IN MOSCOW FOR CELEBRATION OF THE BOLSHEVIK REVOLUTION. AN ALLEGED WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET TROOPS FROM 12 PROVINCES MIGHT POINT TO AN INCREASINGLY UNTENABLE SOVIET POSITION IN SOME AREAS AND/OR A DESIRE TO TEST DRA FORCES. SOVIET FORCES REPORTEDLY ARE CONSTRUCTING AN UNDERGROUND FACILITY NEAR MOJOR AND HAVE BEGUN TRAINING A DRA SPETSNAZ UNIT. END SUMMARY.

3. BEGIN PRESS BRIEFING MATERIAL.

(LCU) KABUL CITY DEVELOPMENTS: NEW MUJAHIDIN PRESSURE TO THE EAST, SOUTH AND WEST OF THE CITY PROMPTED SOVIET FORCES AND THE REGIME TO TAKE ADDITIONAL

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CURREN -- SECURITY FORCES HAVE STOPPED DIPLOMATIC AND OTHER VEHICLES, THREATENED TO FIRE ON CHIEF OF MISSION'S VEHICLE IF IT MOVED, AND FORCED OPEN THE DOORS OF ANOTHER CHIEF OF MISSION'S VEHICLE. SOVIET AND DR. ARMED PERSONNEL CONTINUE TO HALT DIPLOMATIC AND OTHER VEHICLES AT SUNPOINT. SOVIET ARMORED VEHICLES IN NEW REVEGETED POSITIONS AND TRUCK-MOUNTED ZU-23 ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS HAVE TAKEN UP DEFENSIVE POSITIONS NEAR THE AIRPORT. DIPLOMATS REPORTED INCOMING ORDNANCE AT 0100, NOVEMBER 7, AND AT 2325 AND 1540, NOVEMBER 8.

4. (LOU) KABUL PROVINCE: OBSERVATIONS BY DIPLOMATS AND AFGHAN REPORTS CONFIRM INCREASED MUJAHIDIN ACTIVITY EAST, SOUTH AND WEST OF THE CITY.

A. KABUL EAST: ACCORDING TO RELIABLE AFGHAN REPORTING, MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED A SOVIET BASE AT YAKHDARA SOUTHEAST OF KABUL ON OCTOBER 28. THREE TO FOUR SOVIET TROOPS DIED IN THE ATTACK. ON OCTOBER 29, MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED THREE OR FOUR DR. AND SOVIET POSTS IN THE SORUHI AREA EAST OF KABUL. THE ATTACKS RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT DESTRUCTION AT THE POSTS AND CASUALTIES AMONG THE SOVIET/DR. FORCES. ELEVEN OF THE REGIME WOUNDED WERE BROUGHT TO THE KABUL SARAYDOI HOSPITAL WHILE MORE WERE SENT TO THE CITY'S LAZIR AKBAR KHAN MILITARY HOSPITAL. AT 1240, NOVEMBER 2, DIPLOMATS HEARD A LOUD EXPLOSION IN THE VICINITY OF TARAKHEL, FIVE KMS NORTHEAST OF THE AIRPORT. A LARGE DUST PLUME AND A COLUMN OF SMOKE ROLLED FOR TWO HOURS FOLLOWING THE BLAST. A RELIABLE AFGHAN REPORTS FIRING AND CLUSTER FLARES NEAR THE AIRPORT DURING THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 6. (COMMENTS: WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO CONFIRM A PRESS REPORT OF THE DESTRUCTION OF TWO HELICOPTERS AND THREE JET FIGHTERS AT THE KABUL AIRPORT ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 6. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT JET FIGHTERS ARE VERY RARELY AT KABUL AIRPORT.) ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 7 OBSERVERS NOTED HEAVY ARTILLERY FIRE INTO THE MOUNTAIN RANGES EAST OF CAPITAL.

B. KABUL SOUTH: ACCORDING TO A RELIABLE AFGHAN SOURCE, MUJAHIDIN HAVE MOVED INTO THE MOUNTAINS OVERLOOKING PRINCIPAL SOVIET AND DR. POSITIONS SOUTH AND WEST OF KABUL. ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 7 (1905-1950), A RELIABLE DIPLOMAT OBSERVED HEAVY FIGHTING ON MONARAY GHAR MOUNTAIN (TEN KMS SOUTHEAST OF THE CITY). TRACERS FROM MACHINE GUNS MIXED WITH RECKLESS RIFLE FIRE WHILE SOVIET MULTIPLE ROCKET

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LAUNCHERS LOCATED SOUTH OF THE CITY FIRED EIGHT SALVOS  
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ILLUMINED THE AREA. AT APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT,  
SOURCES REPORT ARTILLERY FIRE TO THE SOUTH.

C. KABUL WEST: MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED SOVIET HILLTOP  
POSITIONS NEAR KARGHA DURING THE EVENINGS OF NOVEMBER  
2 AND 4 EMPLOYING ROCKETS AND DIRECT FIRE WEAPONS. AT  
1120, NOVEMBER 6, DIPLOMATS SAW INCOMING ORDNANCE  
STRIKE THE BASE OF THE WEST FACE OF A HILL AT KARGHA  
LAKE OCCUPIED BY A SOVIET POST. THE POST RETURNED  
FIRE TO THE SOUTHWEST. AT THE SAME TIME, SMALL ARMS  
FIRE WAS HEARD SOUTH AND WEST OF KARGHA LAKE. AT  
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HEAVY MACHINE GUN FIRE SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY. ON NOVEMBER 2, BETWEEN 1930 AND 2300, MUJAHIDIN CLASHED WITH DRA FORCES NORTHEAST OF MAIDAN SHAR. CLUSTER FLAMES WERE SEEN IN THE AREA UNTIL 2330. DURING THE SAME EVENING, AN AFGHAN REPORTS INTENSE FIGHTING IN THE PAGHMAN VALLEY. ACCORDING TO A JFA MILITARY SOURCE, A SARANDOI UNIT WHICH MOVED INTO THE PAGHMAN AREA DURING THE WEEK, SUSTAINED HEAVY CASUALTIES. A SOURCE WHO HAS LIVED FOR SEVERAL YEARS IN THE PAGHMAN AREA REPORTS THAT, UNLIKE PREVIOUS YEARS, MUJAHIDIN IN THE PAGHMAN AREA HAVE NOT EVACUATED IN ADVANCE OF THE COLD WEATHER AND SNOW BUT APPEAR TO BE REMAINING IN PLACE, IN FORCE, FOR THE WINTER.

3. KABUL NORTH: ON NOVEMBER 5, FROM 1715 TO 1815, SOVIET ARTILLERY AT KHAWAJA ALGHRA IN THE LOWER SHOMALI FIRED INTO ESTALIF AND DASHTI CHANJARA.

5. (LOU) LOGAR: ACCORDING TO A SOURCE WHOSE REPORTING RELIABILITY HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED, SOVIET/DRA FORCES REPORTEDLY LOST TWO JET FIGHTERS AND 15 ARMORED VEHICLES IN THE COURSE OF RECENT FIGHTING IN LOGAR (REPORTED REFTEL). 150 SOVIET AND DRA TROOPS DIED IN THE FIGHTING. WHILE THE FIGHTING APPEARED TO BE WINDING DOWN IN LATE OCTOBER, TWO MAJOR SOVIET ARMORED COLUMNS WERE RELIABLY REPORTED MOVING INTO LOGAR ON NOVEMBER 3 AND 4.

6. (LOU) NANGARHAR: A RELIABLE DIPLOMAT REPORTS FIGHTING IS UNDERWAY AT KHUGIANI SOUTHWEST OF JALALABAD. DESTINATION OF A MAJOR SOVIET CONVOY WHICH DEPARTED JALALABAD EARLY IN THE WEEK. AN AFGHAN REPORTS FIGHTING UNDERWAY ALSO AT ASMAR IN THE KONAR VALLEY.

7. (LOU) PARWAN: ON OCTOBER 30, MUJAHIDIN OVERRAN FIVE SMALL DRA POSTS IN BAGRAM DISTRICT. MUJAHIDIN KILLED SIX DRA AND CAPTURED TEN WHILE LOSING TWO MUJAHIDIN KILLED. ON NOVEMBER 1, MUJAHIDIN OVERRAN TWO DRA POSTS NEAR CHARIKAR. IN THE ATTACKS, TEN DRA SURFENDERED AND FIVE WERE KILLED. MUJAHIDIN LOST ONE KILLED. IN THE ATTACKS MUJAHIDIN CAPTURED STORES OF AMMO AND WEAPONS.

8. (LOU) GHAZNI: AN AFGHAN REPORTS MUJAHIDIN, OCTOBER 31, ATTACKED A DRA SUPPLY CONVOY DESTROYING ONE ARMORED VEHICLE ESCORT AND CAPTURING FIVE SUPPLY TRUCKS AT JIRATOU, FOUR KMS NORTH OF GHAZNI ON THE KABUL ROAD. IN LATE OCTOBER, MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED

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SOVIET CONVOY NEAR MUGOR.

9. (LOU) BAJAKHSHAN: CONFIRMING INTERNATIONAL PRESS ACCOUNTS, A RELIABLE DIPLOMAT REPORTS THAT MUJAHIDIN FROM FORCES UNDER THE COMMAND OF MASOOD ON OCTOBER 31 OVERRAN A KEY DRA BASE AT KURAN VA MUNJAN (36°02'N 70°46'E) KILLING 25 AND CAPTURING 265. THERE WERE NO SOVIET ADVISORS AT THE BASE. THE BASE, AND A SIMILAR SIZED NEIGHBORING BASE CAPTURED OCTOBER 29 (REPORTED IN WESTERN PRESS ACCOUNTS), HAD BLOCKED KEY SUPPLY ROUTES TO THE PANJSHIR AND BAKAKHSHAN. THE ELIMINATION OF THESE KEY DRA BASES WILL OPEN UP MUCH SHORTER SUPPLY ROUTES TO NORTHERN AND NORTH-CENTRAL AFGHANISTAN.

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10. (LOU) SAMANGAN: A RESIDENT OF KHOLM (36°42'N, 67°41'E) REPORTS THAT AT THE DISTRICT (TASIKURGHAN) HEADQUARTERS THE DRA DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR CANNOT VENTURE MORE THAN 100 METERS FROM HIS COMPOUND WHICH IS GUARDED BY 100 ARMED TROOPS. THE ADMINISTRATOR HAS NO CONTACT WITH THE TOWN RESIDENTS. THERE ARE NO SOVIET TROOPS IN THE VICINITY (THE MAJOR SOVIET BASE IN SAMANGAN IS AT HAH-I-CANAMA). NO HELICOPTERS HAVE BEEN SEEN IN THE AREA SINCE EARLY IN THE SUMMER APPARENTLY OUT OF FEAR OF MUJAHIDIN SAM CAPABILITY. JAMIAT-I-ISLAMI IS THE STRONGEST MUJAHIDIN GROUP IN THE AREA AND IS COMMANDED BY HAMIDULLAH SADRASHI WHO IS FROM KHOLM. THE TOWN HAS NO REGIME SUPPORTERS AND THERE IS NO "NATIONAL RECONCILIATION" ACTIVITY IN THE AREA. THE CROP YIELD HAS BEEN FAIR, FAR BETTER THAN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, GIVING THE LOCAL FARMERS A SURPLUS, MUCH OF WHICH IS SOLD TO THE MUJAHIDIN.

11. (LOU) HERAT: A DIPLOMAT OF UNDETERMINED REPORTING ACCURACY CLAIMS THAT IN LATE OCTOBER - EARLY NOVEMBER, MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED FIVE SOVIET/DRA POSTS IN THE MULLAH ISTIEM-TULABI AREA (PHONETIC) DESTROYING SEVERAL ARMORED VEHICLES AND KILLING ONE DRA COMPANION. IN HERAT CITY, MUJAHIDIN, ACCORDING TO THIS SOURCE, HIT A KHAD CENTER ON OCTOBER 19 AND KILLED FOUR KHAD CAREE.

12. (LOU) HAMIYAN: A RELIABLE AFGHAN SOURCE REPORTS THAT SOVIET AND DRA FORCES, REPORTED REFTEL TO HAVE LAUNCHED A MAJOR OPERATION IN THE HAMIYAN AREA, CURRENTLY ARE ATTEMPTING TO FORCE THE TOWN POPULATION TO REVEAL WHAT IT KNOWS OF LOCAL MUJAHIDIN FORCE STRENGTH AND LOCATION. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME ARRESTS IN WHAT IN SOME PARTS OF THE TOWN HAS AMOUNTED TO A HOUSE-TO-HOUSE SEARCH.

13. BALKH: IN LATE OCTOBER, NEAR DAULATARAQ, MUJAHIDIN DESTROYED EIGHT SOVIET ARMORED VEHICLES AND KILLED SIX "NATIONAL FRONT" ACTIVISTS. SOVIET/DRA RETALIATORY BOMBING IN THE AREA KILLED CIVILIANS. ALSO IN RETALIATION FOR LOCAL SUPPORT FOR THE MUJAHIDIN, SOVIET AND DRA TROOPS REPORTEDLY BURNED LOCAL WHEAT.

14. (LOU) KANDAHAR: AS OF MID-OCTOBER, FIGHTING IN AND AROUND KANDAHAR CONTINUES. MUJAHIDIN RECENTLY HIT A DRA POST AT JAK-U-MU'ALAMIN (TEACHERS AND TRAINING COLLEGE). IN THE FIGHTING OVER 100 DRA WERE KILLED.

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MUJAHIDIN LOST EIGHT KILLED. ACCORDING TO REPORTS, SOVIET UZBEK TROOPS OCCASIONALLY DON AFGHAN CLOTHING PRIOR TO COMMITTING ASSORTED ILLEGAL ACTS.

15. (LCU) WARDAK: SOVIET AND DRA FORCES CONTINUE TO COME THE STRONGLY PRO-MUJAHIDIN MAIDAN SHAR AREA. RU ONLY AT NIGHT, APPARENTLY REFLECTING SOVIET CONCERN OVER MUJAHIDIN SAM'S. ELECTRICAL LINES THROUGH WARDAK NO LONGER CARRY POWER TO THE KABUL GRID. ALL THE POWER IS NOW GIVEN TO THE LOCAL PEOPLE AS A RESULT OF MUJAHIDIN DIVERSION ACTIONS.

16. (LCU) HELMAND: IN LATE OCTOBER, MUJAHIDIN AT NAD-E-ALI (31°38N 64°15'E) AND CAP ANJI (TEN KMS

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NORTHEAST OF NAO-E-AL1) SURROUNDED SOVIET POSITIONS AND KILLED 20 SOVIET TROOPS. SOVIETS RETALIATED BY BOMBING RESIDENTIAL AREAS NEAR BOTH LOCATIONS IN STRIKES THAT KILLED FOUR CIVILIANS.

## 17. (LOU) MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS:

A. SOVIET OFFICIAL NOTES CASUALTY RATES: A SOVIET EMBASSY OFFICIAL IN KABUL TOLD A RELIABLE SOURCE IN EARLY NOVEMBER THAT SOVIET MILITARY CASUALTIES IN AFGHANISTAN CURRENTLY WERE AT 30 TO 40 PER DAY. (COMMENT: THIS PRESUMABLY INCLUDES BOTH DEAD AND WOUNDED.)

B. MILITARY AIR AND VEHICLE MOVEMENT: A TOTAL OF 34 IL-76'S, THE GIANT SOVIET TRANSPORT, ARRIVED IN KABUL DURING NOVEMBER 2-5. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY A SUDDEN DROP-OFF WITH ONLY FOUR ARRIVALS IN THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 6-8. ALSO DURING THE WEEK, THERE WAS HEAVY AIR TRAFFIC MOST NIGHTS. DURING THE DAY, THERE WAS A STEADY MOVEMENT OF HELICOPTERS TO THE SOUTH. IN ADDITION TO MAJOR CONVOY MOVEMENT TOWARD LOGAR NOTED ABOVE, A LARGE SOVIET ARMOR CONVOY DEPARTED EAST ON THE JALALABAD ROAD SHORTLY AFTER DAWN, NOVEMBER 4, AND A 225-VEHICLE SOVIET ARMOR/SUPPLY CONVOY HEADED WEST DURING THE AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 5 FOLLOWED BY A SECOND LARGE SOVIET CONVOY THAT MOVED SOUTHWEST ON THE KABUL TO KANDAHAR ROAD IN THE EVENING.

C. ROAD SECURITY: AN AFGHAN REPORTS THAT THE KANUL TO GHAZNI ROAD IS NOW LARGELY CLOSED TO ALL BUT THE LARGEST MILITARY CONVOYS. REGIME OR PARTY PERSONNEL CAPTURED ON THE ROAD BY THE MUJAHIDIN ARE BEING TAKEN INTO THE NEARBY MOUNTAINS. ANOTHER AFGHAN REPORTS THAT THE REGIME IN LATE OCTOBER BLOCKED THE KANDAHAR TO SPIV BALDAK ROAD APPARENTLY TO HALT THE EXODUS OF REFUGEES FROM WAR-TORN KANDAHAR. A RECENT TRAVELLER REPORTS THAT IN MID-TO-LATE OCTOBER THE SALANG ROAD WAS IN GOOD SHAPE WITH TRAFFIC MOVING EASILY BUT THAT OFF THE MAIN ROAD CONDITIONS AND SECURITY DETERIORATED QUICKLY. AN AFGHAN SOURCE REPORTS THAT ON OCTOBER 25, MUJAHIDIN ATTACKED A SOVIET CONVOY ON THE JALALABAD ROAD KILLING AND WOUNDING SEVERAL SOVIET TROOPS.

## 18. (LCU) POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS:

A. DECREE ON LOYA JIRGAH ISSUED: KAPUL MEDIA  
PUBLISHED A DECREE CALLING FOR THE CONVENING OF A LOYA

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JIRGAH (GRAND NATIONAL COUNCIL) BETWEEN NOVEMBER 22 AND DECEMBER 21. ACCORDING TO THE DECREE, THE GATHERING WILL BE DOMINATED BY POPA MEMBERS OR POPA APPOINTEES. THE SESSION IS TO SELECT A PRESIDENT (NOMINATED BY THE POPA) AND APPROVE THE CONSTITUTION (COMMENT: THE LOYA JIRGA AS CONSTITUTED BY THE DECREE REPRESENTS MAINLY POPA APPOINTEES, REFUGEES, TOTALLING SOME FIVE MILLION, AND THE SOME 67 PERCENT OF VILLAGES WHICH ARE ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE GOVERNMENT AS BEING OUTSIDE DRA CONTROL, DO NOT HAVE REPRESENTATIVES. EXCEPT FOR NOMADS AND HAZARA, EACH OF WHICH IS ACCORDED THE RIGHT TO SEND TEN DELEGATES, ETHNIC GROUPS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY UNDER-REPRESENTED AS ONLY TEN DELEGATES ARE TO BE CHOSEN (ON THE BASIS OF ETHNICITY) FROM ALL OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS COMBINED.)

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C. SOVIETS AND DRA REVEAL FATE OF FRENCH JOURNALIST: THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT, IN A STATEMENT WHICH PRECEDED A DRA ANNOUNCEMENT, INFORMED THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT THAT FRENCH JOURNALIST ALAIN GLYOT IS IN REGIME CUSTODY IN AFGHANISTAN. MEANWHILE, THE SOVIETS AND DRA, REPORTEDLY HAVE KILLED TWO AMERICAN JOURNALISTS. THE ANNOUNCED TRIAL OF JOURNALIST GLYOT IS PRESUMABLY INTENDED AS A WARNING TO JOURNALISTS WHO ACCOMPANY THE MUJAHIDIN.

E. ARRESTS IN SHERBERGAN: IN ADDITION TO THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ARREST OF FORMER CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER AND KARMAL LOYALIST MOHAMMAD YASIN SOLIQUI, WHO LED THE FACTORY HE MANAGED IN SHERBERGAN TO NOMINATE BABBAK KARMAL AS A DELEGATE TO THE PDLA NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN OCTOBER, RELIABLE REPORTING NOW INDICATES THAT MOST OF THE 200 WORKERS AT THE FACTORY ALSO WERE ARRESTED AND THE FACTORY IS NO LONGER FUNCTIONING.

F. DRA AMBASSADOR REVEALS AFGHANS RELUCTANT TO RETURN TO AFGHANISTAN: DRA AMBASSADOR TO NEW DELHI AZHAR. IN A RECENT TELEVISION INTERVIEW ON DRA MEDIA, REVEALED THAT OF THE 45,000 AFGHAN REFUGEES IN INDIA (HIS FIGURE), 800 (LESS THAN TWO PERCENT) HAD RETURNED TO AFGHANISTAN IN RESPONSE TO THE REGIME'S "NATIONAL RECONCILIATION" APPEAL.

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## 19. (LOU) HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS:

A. SOVIET/DRA BOMBING OF CIVILIAN AREAS: IN ADDITION TO SOVIET/DRA BOMBING OF CIVILIAN AREAS IN HELMAND, GURAKH, AND WARGAK REPORTED OVER BOMBING, WITH CIVILIAN CASUALTIES, IS REPORTED IN LOGAR, KUNDUZ AND LAUZJAN (SANGCHURAK 35°52'N 66°26'E).

B. PARENTS OF IMPRESSED CHILDREN ARRESTED: AT 1600, NOVEMBER 4, PARENTS WHO HAD GATHERED AT 1100 AT AN INDUCTION CENTER IN WAZIR AKHAR KHAN TO PROTEST ROVING DRA PRESS GANG IMPRESSMENT OF THEIR SONS INTO THE MILITARY, WERE THEMSELVES ARRESTED. RECENTLY THE PRESS GANGS HAVE RESORTED TO THE DESTRUCTION OF VALID

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WORK CARDS WHICH PROTECT YOUNG MEN FROM BEING  
DRAGOONED INTO THE MILITARY.

C. MINISTRY OF STATE SECURITY PRISON IDENTIFIED: A  
MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF A MINISTRY OF STATE SECURITY  
PRISON LOCATED IN DARULAMAN (ONE KM SOUTHWEST OF THE  
SOVIET EMBASSY) HAS PROVIDED A GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF  
THE FACILITY WHICH INCARCERATES SEVERAL THOUSAND  
PRISONERS IN UNDERGROUND CELLS. ACCORDING TO THE  
SOURCE, MANY OF THE PRISONERS ARE POLITICAL.  
AUTHORITIES AT THE PRISON EMPLOY TORTURE AS A MEANS OF  
DISCIPLINE AND TO EXTRACT INFORMATION. EXECUTIONS  
HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT AT THE FACILITY.

## 20. (L) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS:

A. INDIAN AIRLINES TO OPEN NEW DELHI-KABUL-TASHKENT  
ROUTE: INDIAN MEDIA HAVE CARRIED A REPORT THAT INDIAN  
AIRLINES (THE MAINLY DOMESTIC INDIAN LINE) WILL OPEN  
AN AIR ROUTE TO TASHKENT CONNECTING THROUGH KABUL. NO  
INFORMATION ABOUT SCHEDULING FOR THE LINK HAS BEEN  
ANNOUNCED.

B. GAS SHORTAGES CONTINUE: A SEVERE GASOLINE  
SHORTAGE CONTINUES WITH LONG LINES OF REGIME VEHICLES  
AT KABUL GAS STATIONS AND A THRIVING GASOLINE BLACK  
MARKET IN FULL SWING. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE DAY,  
GASOLINE HAS NOT BEEN AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC  
FOR ALMOST THREE WEEKS.

C. TOXIC CORN IN KABUL: THERE ARE RUMORS THAT SOME  
CORN SOLD IN KABUL MARKETS IS TAINTED AND HAS CAUSED  
DEATHS. (THIS MAY BE FEED STOCK TREATED WITH  
FUNGICIDES WHICH WAS NOT INTENDED FOR CONSUMPTION.)

## 21. (C) NOT TO BE BRIEFED TO PRESS:

A. KESHTMAND OPPOSES NAJIBULLAH?: AN EAST EUROPEAN  
DIPLOMAT REPORTS THAT PRIME MINISTER KESHTMAND HAS  
ADVISED MINISTER OF IRRIGATION SORKHANI NOT TO RESIGN  
DESPITE HIS OUSTER FROM THE PDPA CENTRAL COMMITTEE.  
KESHTMAND REPORTEDLY ASKED SORKHANI TO STAY ON UNTIL  
AFTER KESHTMAND AND NAJIB RETURN FROM MOSCOW. THE  
EAST EUROPEAN ASSESSES THAT, AT KESHTMAND'S AND OTHERS'  
URGING, MOSCOW MAY INDUCE NAJIBULLAH TO "AWE" HIS  
"TOUGH LINE" (AND ACTION) AGAINST PARTY CRITICS.  
(COMMENT: KESHTMAND ALSO SOUGHT UNSUCCESSFULLY TO  
PROTECT THE FORMER MINISTERS OF HEALTH AND AGRICULTURE

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WHOM NAJIBULLAH SACKED EARLIER IN THE YEAR.) THE SAME SOURCE BELIEVES THAT THE UPCOMING LOYA JIRGAH MAY PULL BACK FROM ACCORDING EXTENSIVE POWERS TO THE PRESIDENCY (I.E., TO NAJIBULLAH) AND MAY DEMUR ON ENLARGING A FIRST-AMONG-EQUALS POSITION FOR THE PCPA.

B. SOVIET WITHDRAWAL FROM 12 PROVINCES: NAJIBULLAH'S ANNOUNCEMENT IN MOSCOW THAT SOVIET TROOPS HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM 12 PROVINCES HAS PROMPTED ANALYSIS THAT: 1) THE SOVIETS ARE PULLING OUT OF INDEFENSIBLE, UNSUPPORTABLE BASES TO A MORE DEFENSIVE POSTURE AROUND KEY CITIES, BASES AND LOC'S; (OR 2) ACCORDING TO AN EAST BLOC DIPLOMAT) THAT THE SOVIETS ARE TESTING WHETHER DRA MILITARY CAN ENSURE SECURITY OF THE AREAS

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C. SOVIETS REPORTEDLY CONSTRUCTING UNDERGROUND  
FACILITY: A RELIABLE DIPLOMAT REPORTS THAT THE SOVIETS  
ARE UNDERTAKING A MAJOR UNDERGROUND EXCAVATION/  
CONSTRUCTION AT A LARGE SOVIET BASE NEAR MOCOR IN  
GHAZNI.

L. SOVIETS TRAIN DRA SPETSNAZ: A RELIABLE DIPLOMAT  
REPORTS THAT SOVIET TROOPS ARE TRAINING A DRA SPECIAL  
UNIT IN SPETSNAZ TACTICS.

E. DIVISION OF MUJAHIDIN RESPONSIBILITY IN KAHUL: AN  
AFGHAN WITH GOOD ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION CONTENDS  
THAT, WITHIN KAHUL, JAMIAT CONTROLS ROUGHLY THE  
NORTHERN PART OF KAHUL (ESPECIALLY SHARE NAU); THAT  
MUJAHIDIN UNDER MOHAMMAD VARI CONTROL THE "LOGAR SIDE"  
AND THAT HARAKAT CONTROLS THE WEST.

22. MOSCOW MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. GLASSMAN

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